



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 42

February Session, 2012

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR MEMBERS
OF THE FACULTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF
REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10a-3a of the 2012 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective July 1, 2012*):

4 (a) There shall be a faculty advisory committee to the Board of
5 Regents for Higher Education to assist the board in performing its
6 statutory functions. The committee shall consist of the following
7 members: Three teaching faculty members and one administrative
8 faculty member who provides direct student services from the
9 Connecticut State University System, three teaching faculty members
10 and one administrative faculty member who provides direct student
11 services from the regional community-technical college system and
12 one teaching faculty member and one administrative faculty member
13 who provides direct student services from Charter Oak State College.
14 Such members shall serve a term of two years. If the membership of
15 any such faculty member terminates, the constituent unit that elected
16 such member shall, not later than thirty days after the membership
17 terminates and in such manner as the council determines, elect a
18 faculty member who shall serve for the remainder of the term.

19 (b) [The] Not later than October 1, 2013, the members of the
20 committee and alternates for such members shall be elected pursuant
21 to a uniform, fair and open system-wide election by the faculty
22 [senates representing] governance body of each of the constituent units
23 they are to represent and, in the case of Charter Oak State College, by a
24 majority vote of the Academic Council at Charter Oak State College.
25 The alternate members of the committee may serve in the absence of
26 the regularly elected member. Nothing in this section shall be
27 construed to require a labor union representing faculty members to
28 participate in any election held pursuant to this subsection.

29 (c) The committee shall, on a rotating basis among its members,
30 elect its own chairperson and vice-chairperson, one of whom shall be a
31 member from the Connecticut State University System and the other of
32 whom shall be a member from the regional community-technical
33 colleges, and such other officers as it deems necessary, to serve for a
34 term of two years. The committee shall be deemed to be a public
35 agency within the scope of the Freedom of Information Act, as defined
36 in section 1-200, and shall keep such records as may be appropriate.

37 (d) The committee, established pursuant to subsection (a) of this
38 section, shall meet at least biannually with the Board of Regents for
39 Higher Education. Agendas shall be prepared for such meetings and
40 shall be distributed by the board prior thereto and shall consist of
41 matters recommended for inclusion by the chairperson of the Board of
42 Regents for Higher Education and the committee. Such meetings shall
43 be chaired by the chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher
44 Education and the committee members shall have the right to
45 participate in all discussions and deliberations, but shall not have the
46 right to vote at such meetings.

47 (e) Beginning on January 1, 2012, and annually thereafter, the
48 faculty advisory committee shall report to the joint standing
49 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
50 relating to higher education and appropriations, in accordance with
51 the provisions of section 11-4a, regarding the performance of its

52 statutory functions and its biannual meetings with the Board of
53 Regents for Higher Education.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2012</i>	10a-3a
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HED *Joint Favorable Subst.*